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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:
Mikiya Suzuki

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Art Unit: 2638

For: WAVELENGTH DIVISION MULTIPLEX
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Examiner: D. C. Payne

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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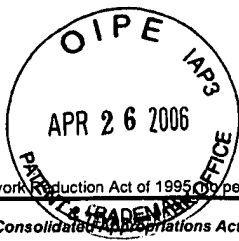
Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated February 28, 2006 (Paper No. 20060218), please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 11 of this paper.



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FEE TRANSMITTAL For FY 2006

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<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27	Application Number	09/824,643-Conf. #1366	
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1. BASIC FILING, SEARCH, AND EXAMINATION FEES

Application Type	FILING FEES		SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES		Fees Paid (\$)
	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	

2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES

Fee Description	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)
Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)	50	25
Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)	200	100
Multiple dependent claims	360	180

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)	Multiple Dependent Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)
23	- 52 =	x	=			
HP = highest number of total claims paid for, if greater than 20.						
Indep. Claims	Extra Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)			
2	- 6 =	x	=			
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3. APPLICATION SIZE FEE

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